

FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate
Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: February 22, 1996

SUBJECT: **SB 2116 - HB 2861**

This bill, if enacted, will create the Student and Employee Safe Environment Act to require local education agencies to develop behavior and discipline codes, to establish civil liability for persons committing offenses, and to require alternative placement options for disruptive, threatening, or violent students.

The bill also provides that the State Board of Education shall require that all alternative school classrooms have working two-way communication systems over which notification of emergency situations may be communicated to the appropriate administrator.

The fiscal impact from enactment of this bill is estimated to be an increase in local government expenditures* to comply with requirements of the bill, however, the amount of increase is estimated to be not significant. Most school systems have already provided for the placement of unruly students in alternative classes and most of these alternative classrooms are already equipped with telephones.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: *no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*